* BEFORE THE * ZONING COMMISSIONER

* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY 1st Election District * Case No. 91-347-A 1st Councilmanic District Palanki Ramamohana Rao Petitioner

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioner herein requests, pursuant to Petition for Zoning Variance, a variance from Section 1802.3.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a lot width of 92 ft. in lieu of the required 100 ft. for Lot No. 3 resulting from the subdivision of the original lot into three lots, as more particularly indicated on Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1.

The Petitioner, Palanki R. Rao, appeared and testified. There were no Protestants.

Testimony indicated that the Petitioner is desirous of constructing a single family dwelling on Lot No. 3, as indicated on Petitioner's Exhibit

The Petitioner testified that he currently resides in the home located on Lot No. 1 and intends to relocate to Florida upon the sale of the aforementioned lots. However, Petitioner provided no testimony relative to the practical difficulty or undue hardship standard set forth below.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;

2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief: and

3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App.

In reviewing the evidence, there is insufficient evidence to allow a finding that the Petitioner would experience practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship if the requested variance was denied. The testimony presented by the Petitioner was in support of a matter of a preference rather than of the necessity for the variance. Clearly, if there is any hardship in this case at all, it is self-inflicted. The Petitioner has failed to show that compliance would unreasonably prevent the use of the property or be unnecessarily burdensome. Therefore, the variance requested must be denied.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be denied.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore Variance from Section 1802.3.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulaions (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a lot width of 92 ft. in lieu of the required

100 ft. for Lot No. 3 resulting from the subdivision of the original lot into three lots, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1, is hereby

for Baltimore County

cc: Peoples Counsel

RE: Petition for Zoning Variance Case No. 91-347-A Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above captioned case. The Petition for Zoning Variance has been denied, in accordance with the attached Order. In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please

June 3, 1991

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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days of the

additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to

date of the Order to the County Board of Appeals. If you require

cc: Peoples Counsel

111 West Chesapeake Avenue

Mr. Palanki R. Rao

2528 Frederick Road

Catonsville, Maryland 21228

contact our Appeals Clerk at 887-3391.

Towson, MD 21204

#330

PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY: 91-347-A

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section 1802.3.C.1 to permit lot width of 92 feet in lieu of the required 100 feet for LOT#3 resulting from subdivision of the original lot into

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty) The width of the original lot is 182,96 feet. The proposed subdivision of the lot results in three lots with the following widths: 112, 100 and 92 feet respectively. Hence Lot#3 will not comply with the width regulation by mere 8 feet. Strict compliance with this requirement will unreasonably prevent the use of the property for the purpose of subdivision into three lots and render conformance unnecessarily burdensome to the applicant. The grant of this variance will not also cause any injustice to the other property owners in the district as well as any injury to public health, safety and general welfare.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law For Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

(Continued in APPENDIX A)

Legal Owner(s): Contract Purchaser PALANKI RAMAMOHANA RAO (Type or Print Name) (Type or Print Name) Palanti Ranamohana (Type or Print Name) City and State Attorney for Petitioner:

2528 Frederick Road (Type or Print Name) Catonsville, Maryland, 21228 City and State Name, address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted Palanki Ramamohana Rao

Social Security Administration (301)-965-1420 Attorney's Telephone No.: -----ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this _____ day

taken in 2/26/41

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ATTACHMENT A 91-347-A

HARDSHIP OR PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES

1. Because one of the owners is disabled and the other has decided to retire in 1991, the owners have tried to sell the property during the last two years . They were unable to sell the property so far although the price is reduced by at least \$20,000 below the market

2. The price of the property has gone up because of the developments on both sides of the property. On its left side, a developer purchased a 20 acre property, subdivided into 30 lots and built and sold homes under the banner of Paradise Hill Development for prices starting from \$180,000. On its rightside, the owners of 2530 Frederick Road were permitted variance for subdivision into two(2) lots. They built a house on the second lot for their daughter and son-in-law. If similar relief is not granted to the applicants, it will be hard to sell the property without further subdivision.

3. My two sons who are now in college will be graduating in a couple of years and are interested in settling down in their professions in Baltimore County provided we subdivide the property into three(3) lots and allow them to build houses on the two of those lots. This will also permit me to sell my house which will be on the third lot easily and pay off the mortgage before we retire in 1991.

4. It has now become all the more imperative that we dispose off the property as soon as possible, because my wife, a coowner, Prafulla Palanki died on November 4, 1990. See her death certificate attached ITEM #330

DESCRIPTION

91-347-A

Beginning on the north side of Frederick Road, at the distance of 900 feet west of the centerline of Oella Avenue. Not being part of a recorded subdivision but containing .519 acre in the 1st Election District. Also known as 2528 Frederick Road.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Petitioner: Palanhi Romamohama Par Location of property: Aff of Frederica Road, 200'W of the C/L of Oella avenue (2528 Frederica Road Location of Signer Con front of 2 5 08 Frederich Road

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in the CATONSVILLE TIMES, a weekly newspaper published in Baltimore County, Md., once in each of____

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Office of Planning and Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Palanki Ramamohana Rao

2528 Frederick Road

MOTICE OF HEARING

Variance: to permit lot width of 92 ft. in ileu of the required 100 ft. for lot #3 resulting from the subdivision of the original lot into three lots.

J. ROBERT HAINES
Zoning Commissioner of
Baltimore County
CT/J/4/008 Apr. 4.

April 18, 1991

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was

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in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of ____ successive

weeks, the first publication appearing on 4, 19 7.

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Catonsville, MD 21228 RE: Item No. 330, Case No. 91-347-A Petitioner: Palanki Ramamohana Rao Petition for Zoning Variance

Dear Mr. Ramamohana:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have a bearing on this case. Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suitability of the requested zoning.

Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Committee at this time that offer or request information on your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly.

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD RETURN YOUR WRITTEN COMMENTS TO MY OFFICE, ATTENTION JULIE WINIARSKI. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS, PLEASE CONTACT HER AT 887-3391.

Chairman Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

Enclosures

Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

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Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 13th day of March, 1991.

> J. ROBERT HAINES ZONING COMMISSIONER

Petitioner: Palanki Ramaohana Rao

Petitioner's Attorney:



O. James Lighthizer Secretary Ha! Kassoff Administrator

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March 11, 1991

Re: Baltimore County

Oella Avenue

(Item #330)

Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204

Palanki Ramamohana Rao Property Zoning Meeting of 3-12-91 N/S Frederick Road (MD 144) 900' West of Attn: Mr. James Dyer

Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning and Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Palanki Ramamohana Rao

Case Number: 91-347-A

2528 Frederick Road

Dear Petitioner(s):

ZONING COMMISSIONER BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

N/S Frederick Road, 900' W of c/l Cella Avenue

HEARING: WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1991 at 2:00 p.m.

Please be advised that \$_8/.70___ is due for advertising and posting of the above

THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN & POST SET(S) RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT ISSUE. DO NOT REMOVE THE SIGN & POST SET(S) FROM THE PROPERTY UNTIL THE DAY

Please make your check payable to Baltimore County, Maryland. Bring the check and the sign &

post set(s) to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 113,

Towson, Maryland fifteen (15) minutes before your hearing is scheduled to begin.

J. Robert Source

1st Election District - 1st Councilmanic

Petitioner(s): Palanki Ramamohana Rao

Catonsville, Maryland 21228

2528 Frederick Road

Dear Mr. Haines:

We have received the submittal for a variance to permit a lot width of 92' in lieu of the required 100' for lot number 3 resulting from subdivision of the original lot into 3 lots.

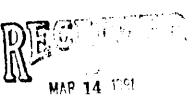
Any access to Frederick Road for lots 2 and 3 must be approved by our Resident Maintenance Engineer's Office, c/o Gary Ewers (574-4511).

All work within State Highway Administration right-of-way along Frederick Road must be performed under a permit issued by Mr. Ewers' Office prior to issuance of building permits.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Larry Brocato at 333-1350.

John Contestabile, Chief Engineering Access Permits

cc: Mr. Gary Ewers (w-enclosure) Mr. J. Ogle



My telephone number is 333-1350 (Fax #333-1041) Teletypewriter for impaired Hearing or Speech 383-7555 Baltimore Metro - 565-0451 D.C. Metro - 1-800-492-5062 Statewide Toll Free 707 North Calvert St., Baltimore, Maryland 21203-0717 Baltimore County Governmen Zoning Commissioner
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111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

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March 18, 1991

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

Case Number: 91-347-A N/S Frederick Road, 900' W of c/l Oella Avenue 2528 Frederick Road 1st Election District - 1st Councilmanic Petitioner(s): Palanki Ramamohana Rao HEARING: WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1991 at 2:00 p.m.

Variance to permit lot width of 92 ft. in lieu of the required 100 ft. for lot #3 resulting from the subdivision of the original lot into three lots.

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J. ROBERT HAINES Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

cc: Palanki Ramamohana Rao

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

J. Robert Haines

DATE: April 17, 1991 Zoning Commissioner

Pat Keller, Deputy Director Office of Planning and Zoning

SUBJECT: Palanki Ramamohana Roa, Item No. 330

Staff is unable to provide comments until such time as the applicant provides additional information regarding access and adjacent land use.

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3211.

PK/JL/cmm ITEM330/ZAC1 RUREAU OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEFARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

DATE: March 20, 1991

TO: Mr. J. Robert Haines
Zoning Commissioner

FROM: Rahee J. Famili
SUBJECT: Z.A.C. COMMENTS

Z.A.C. MEETING DATE: March 12, 1991

Dear Mr. Haines:

This office has no comments for items number 286, 325, 329, and 330.

Rahee J. Family Traffic Engineer II

RJF/lvd

received

Baltimore County Government
Fire Department

700 East Joppa Road Suite 901
Towson, MD 21204-5500

MARCH 13, 1991

J. Robert Haines

Office of Planning and Zoning Paltimore County Office Puilding Towson, MD 21204

Zoning Commissioner

FF: Froperty Owner:

Location: #2528 FREDERICE ROAD

Item No.: 330 Scning Agenda: MARCH 12, 1991

Gentlemen:

Fursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

PALANKI KAMANCHARA EAC

 Fire hydrants for the referenced property are required and shall be located at intervals of 750 feet along an approved road in accordance with Baltimore County Standards as published by the Lepartment of Public Works.

4. The site shall be made to comply with all applicable parts of the Fire Prevention Code prior to occupancy or beginning of operation. PROPOSED PANHANDLE DRIVEWAY SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EALTIMORE COUNTY COUNCIL BILL NO. 172-89 AND RESOLUTION NO. 52-89.

Planting Group

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Fire Prevention Bureau

Special Inspection Division

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Zoning Advisory Committee DATE: March 11, 1991

FROM: Robert W. Bowling, P.E.

RE: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for March 12, 1991

The Developers Engineering Division has reviewed the subject zoning items and we have no comments for Items 286, 325 and 329.

For Item 184 (Case #91-252-A), the previous County Review Group Comments are applicable.

For Item 330, this site must be submitted through the minor subdivision process for review and comments.

ROBERT W. BOWLING, P.E., Chief Developers Engineering Division

RWB:s

